



CNPS 2012

Conservation Conference

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

California Native Plant Society 2012 Conservation Conference
January 10-14, 2012, Town and Country Resort and Conference Center, San Diego

Submit an abstract for Contributed Talks and Posters at:

<http://ice.ucdavis.edu/conferences/cnps/2012>

**** *New this year - special sessions devoted exclusively to student presentations* ****

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTAL OF ABSTRACTS

The Conference Program Committee will be accepting abstracts for oral and poster presentations between **April 11 and August 4, 2011**. The program will focus on plant conservation / restoration and will include a keynote address, plenary sessions, concurrent sessions that include of a mix of invited and contributed oral presentations, a student paper session, and poster session. A special session dedicated to posters will allow in-depth discussion between authors and conference attendees.

Please adhere to the following guidelines when preparing your abstract for an oral presentation or poster:

- Themed or subject oral presentations will be grouped into sessions organized around identified topics. [See Session Topics](#). Please indicate which of these general topic areas is most appropriate for your presentation.
- Students may elect to give an oral presentation in the Student Sessions if their paper is not selected for the Subject Sessions or can request the Student Session as a preference.
- Oral presentations will be limited to 20 minutes, with 15 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions.
- The subject matter of the presentation should have a clear connection to native plants or natural vegetation conservation.
- The abstract of a research presentation should include specific information about the results and conclusions of the study. Abstracts that state "results will be discussed" will not be accepted.

- All presenters should discuss the actual or potential conservation relevance supported by the studies, overviews or work described in the talk or poster.
- If your abstract cannot be accommodated as an oral presentation in the Subject Sessions due to time constraints, you will be notified as soon as possible so that you will have ample time to prepare a poster. (Students may elect the student oral presentation as well.)

ABSTRACT REVIEW PROCESS

CNPS is committed to high quality science, thus abstracts will be submitted to a thorough review process. Abstracts will be reviewed by members of the Abstract Review Committee, composed of professionals with extensive experience in plant conservation in academic, government, and private sector occupations. Submitted abstracts will be allocated to contributed talk sessions, student talks, poster presentations, or rejected.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

If your abstract is selected for an oral presentation you will be notified with an acceptance email by **October 15, 2011** at the latest. All oral presentation rooms will be equipped with a computer and a data projector. Detailed information and instructions will be provided to presenters approximately 2 months prior to the Conference.

REGISTRATION

Presenting authors (oral or poster) should register for the meeting by **October 31, 2011**. (All presenters are responsible for paying registration fees) Because late cancellation excludes others who might have presented, authors who fail to notify the Program Committee of their withdrawal by November 10th, 2011 may be excluded from giving a presentations future CNPS Conferences.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORMATTING ABSTRACTS

Abstracts should be submitted to the following website: <http://ice.ucdavis.edu/conferences/cnps/2012> Please follow the instructions carefully, including all requested information and formatting. All abstracts must be received by **August 4, 2011**. The Program Planning Committee will begin to notify all authors by **October 15, 2011** of the outcome. Abstracts must be submitted according to the following format:

ABSTRACT FORMAT

1. Students - please indicate that you are a student by putting the word "student" in the "bio statement". Unless you indicate in the "comments box" not to be, you will be considered for a Best Student Paper or Poster Award
2. Type of presentation. Indicate whether the abstract is intended for an Oral-Subject preferred, Oral-Student Preferred, Poster Preferred, or Either Oral or Poster.
3. Title. List the title in CAPITAL LETTERS. Titles are limited to 150 characters.
4. Abstract. No more than 250 words. Begin with a clear statement of the subject, problem or objectives, give brief methods and major results if a research talk, and end with a substantial conclusion supporting conservation or restoration. Do not use statements such as "results will be discussed."
5. Comments. List any necessary comments pertaining to your abstract submission.

Questions about the abstract submission process can be directed to Steve Schoenig, sessions chair at:

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